

If there ever was a curse to the church of Christ—an abomination in the land—which it becomes saints and sinners—infidels and profigates—rich and poor—bond and free—learned and ignorant—savage and civilized, to unite in putting down, it is the abomination-working, mind-destroying, pauper-making, soul-contaminating, feud-exciting, church-defiling, malice-engendering, passion-inflaming, truth-enfeebling, strife-provoking, reason-dethroning, vice-extending, heaven-leathing, life-destroying business, the selling of intoxicating drinks. What Christian, what philanthropist, will look calmly on, and not put forth vigorous exertions to stay its desolating progress?

COMPLIMENT FROM IRELAND.—At the celebration of St. Patrick's Day in Dublin, Rev. Dr. Cahill thus enthusiastically expressed himself with regard to Mrs. Julia Gardiner Tyler:

"I long to stand in the presence of the patriot, the accomplished Mrs. Tyler, and the incomparable ladies of America, that I may offer to them the deep homage of my grateful heart—that I may present to them the respect and enthusiasm of the people of Ireland, for the withering chastisement they have inflicted on the Duchess of Sutherland, and for the graceful dignity with which they have exposed the well-meaning hypocrisy of her noble committee."

A CROOKED SUBJECT.—A Matamoros correspondent of an Indiana paper, in giving a description of the Rio Grande river, says:

Imagine four of the crookedest things in the world, and then imagine four more twice as crooked, and then fancy to yourself a large river three times as crooked as all these put together, and you have a faint idea of the crooked disposition of this almighty crooked river. There is no drift in it, from the fact that it is so crooked that timber can't find its way far enough down to lodge two sticks together—but few snakes, because it is not straight enough to swim in, and the fish are all in the whirlpools in the bends, because they can't find their way out. Birds frequently attempt to fly across the river, and light on the same side they start from, being deceived by the different crooks! Indeed, you may be deceived when you think you see across it, and some of the boys say it is so darned twisting there isn't but one side to it.

NATURAL CURIOSITY.

We have received from A. Hetchkins, of Schenectady, Otsego county, N. Y., several small branches of a tree which grew in his yard. The tree from which they were taken is a fir, and while one branch is the same as the tree—an evergreen; the other is totally different in appearance, and is annual in its foliage, as it loses its leaves in winter, and again buds in the spring. The tree was removed from a swamp about two years ago; the wild branches form part of the tree, and grows in a small clump. It is no doubt the natural growth of a seed which entered a crevice of the bark of the tree, and there found soil enough to root and grow up.—[Scientific American.]

FREE BANKING.—The Massachusetts Senate Committee on Banks and Banking has reported that it is inexpedient to repeal the free banking law.

BLOCK OF LIMESTONE.—The block of limestone from Braddock's field intended for the Washington Monument is at Pittsburgh, finished and ready for shipment.

The human voice has been heard across the Straits of Gibraltar, a distance of more than ten miles. This only happens in peculiar states of the weather. The sound of a military band has been heard at a distance of seventy miles on a clear frosty morning.

Fawcett, who had chambers in the Temple, having called a ticket-porter to carry a message, he asked his name; he said it was Russell.

"And pray," said the comedian, jocularly, "is your coat of arms the same as the Duke of Bedford's?"

"As to arms, your honor," says the porter, "I believe they are pretty much alike, but there is a deal of difference between our coats."

New Boot and Shoe Manufactory!

THE UNDERSIGNED takes this method of informing his old customers, friends and the public generally, that I have again commenced the manufacture of Boots and Shoes of the very best material. Persons wishing articles in my line will do well to give me a call, before purchasing elsewhere, as my stock is well selected, comprising the best article of French and American calf skins, ditto, ditto upper, all of which I will make to order at the shortest notice.

Shop on Hill street, a few doors east of Selmes' Store. RICHARD FITZPATRICK. P. S.—I will keep constantly on hand an assortment of fine calf boots, kip boots; also, coarse boots and shoes, which I will warrant to be of the very best quality. [mch16-dlmwtf] R. F.

For Sale, or Exchange for Hannibal Property. A TRACT of unimproved land in Monroe county, on Brush Creek, six and seven miles from the towns of Florida and Paris, respectively, containing 240 acres, about one-half prairie, the remainder timber. The land is of excellent quality, has permanent water, and lies in a good neighborhood. It possesses peculiar advantages for a stock farm. Apply to [mch17-3m] H. MEREDITH, Agent.

TAILORING.

JAMES THOMPSON, & JOHN A. LEMMON, the Lime Man, Merchant Tailor,

HAVE associated themselves together for the purpose of carrying on the TAILORING BUSINESS in all its various branches.

On Main street, one door north of the Brady House, and next door to C. W. Bryan's Store.

They have and will keep, the best of Journeymen all the time, and will Execute Work as Expeditiously, as neatly and as fashionably as they know how.

We will not say we will beat the man that makes the fashions, but will say they will keep as near the pictures as possible.

Mr. Lemmon has the largest, best and cheapest stock of Cloths, Casimeres, Vestings, Trimmings and Summer Goods, that Hannibal ever had the good luck to have in it.

Give us a call gentlemen, you are bound to be suited in my kind, or quality of Goods

Hannibal, April 25, 1853.—d2m

Barber's Shop.

PETER JOHNSON,

RESPECTFULLY offers his services to the public. He keeps the best quality of razors, and keeps them sharp. He will always pay strict attention to cleanliness and neatness. He cuts and dresses hair in a style that never fails to please his customers. As a knight of the scissors and razor he yields to none in Hannibal. His charges are reasonably low. As he intends to continue fitting up and improving his establishment, as fast as his means will allow, he hopes to have the patronage of the citizens of Hannibal, whose well known chief characteristic of energy, leads them to desire to see everything on the progressive march. Recollect it is the shop nearest to Hickman's Store. It is on the west side of Main street, two doors north of Bird street. (ap-23-d-ly)

AT THE

Philadelphia Clothing Store,

In Commercial Row,

IS A VERY SUPERIOR lot of Clothing, of latest styles, suitable for Spring and Summer wear. The prices are very low, and as the goods are all well selected, and of good material, purchasers cannot fail to be suited. We have Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Carpet Bags, Ladies' Shoes, Pocket Handkerchiefs, Gloves, &c.—Chiefly Clothing, but a little of everything else.

I consider it no trouble to show goods, and would be pleased to wait on the people, and be their obedient, humble servant, so far as offering inducements for their BIKES is concerned. B. CRANSTON, Agent. [mch30-d3m]

MACKEREL.—New Crop.

PRIME ARTICLE.

100 BARRELS AND HALF BARRELS, just now arrived and for sale wholesale (right cheap), by T. R. SELMES.

Daguerreotypes! Daguerreotypes!! W. P. PITTS,

Resident Daguerrean Artist, would simply remind the citizens of Hannibal and surrounding country that he is still taking pictures at his Gallery on Main street, over Wilson's hardware store, and would inform them, that from recent additions to his stock, and his increased facilities, he is now prepared to take pictures in a style far superior to any heretofore taken in this city, and at reduced prices. Call and examine. ap25dtf.

GOODS.

BOUGHT BEFORE THE RISE!

THE LARGEST and the greatest assortment of goods ever brought to Hannibal, just now received, and will be sold certain. The subscriber would particularly call the attention of his wholesale customers to this fact, and all persons coming to Hannibal to purchase goods will find it greatly to their advantage to call on apr22-d-1f. T. R. SELMES.

LIME! LIME! LIME!

THE SUBSCRIBER, will keep constantly on hand fresh burned Lime, for sale at the corner of Hill and Sixth Streets.

Those in want of a good article of Lime would do well to call on P. J. WILLS

Hannibal, August 5th, 1852.—1f

Wholesale Groceries. (right cheap.)

80 HOGSHEADS OF PRIME SUGAR. 150 SACKS OF PRIME RIO COFFEE, just arrived. T. R. SELMES.

Look out for the Old Lumber Yard.

WELL seasoned Pine Lumber suitable for all building purposes, can all times be had at the Old Hannibal Lumber Yard, which has been established 8 years. The proprietor deems it unnecessary to puff his Lumber to make it sell, or to say any thing about experience in the business except to those who never purchased from him. He would remark that an experience of eight years in the business gives the decided advantage over any other who never had experience—his Lumber has been purchased for cash and selected with great care, from the best mills in the Pinery. Mechanics and others wishing to purchase Lumber would find it to their advantage to call and examine the stock of Lumber and Shingles at the Old Lumber Yard before purchasing elsewhere. If you cannot get it for a less price, I will guarantee you can get it as low and a better article for the same money. Also, Lumber, Shingles and window sash.

Don't forget the Big Sign on the west side of Third, between Bird and Hill streets. Look out for the Sign of THOS. S. MILES' LUMBER YARD. [mch25-1f]

JOHN S. THOMPSON,

WHOLESALE GROCER.

Nos. 30 and 32 Second street, near Post Office, 1853. St. Louis, Mo. 1853.

HAS in store and is in receipt of the following desirable stock of Groceries, which is offered at the lowest market rates for prompt pay:

600 bbls N. O. and c/ff'd sugar, 300 bbls c/ff'd do, 1000 pkgs M. R. raisins, 2000 drums Elme figs. 50 casks Zante currants, 50 bails dates, 50 casks prunes, 50 cases do, in glass, 100 bbls S. S. almonds, 25 do H. S. do, 25 do filberts, 25 bbls English walnuts, 25 do cream nuts, 4000 kegs nails, 4 to 6d, 500 do blood 2 and 3d nails, 500 do fence do 6, 8 and 10, 350 do brad do, 6, 8 and 10, 100 do finishing do, 6, 8 and 10, 100 do wrought do, 75 do spikes, 4 to 7 in, 150 bxs tacks, 4 to 14 oz, do, 500 bxs cotton yarn, 200 do dozen do, 150 bxs white carpet warp, 100 do cold do, do, 400 bales batting, 300 do candle wick, 300 do wrapping twine, 500 bbls mackerel, 1, 23, and 300 half bbls mackerel, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, 100 bbls roe herrings, 800 bxs sealed do, 50 cks Eng. codfish, 30 do Grand Bank do, 1200 bxs codfish, 100 lbs each, 20 bbls No. 1 salmon, 200 cans Baltimore Cove oysters, 50 cases sardines, wholes, half and quarters, 50 bbls pecan nuts, 100 bxs pea nuts, 1000 bushels dried apples, 500 do dried peaches, 600 bxs tallow candles, 200 bxs palm soap, 50 bxs Olean soap, 200 do star candles, 30 bxs sperm candles, 50 do Castile soap, 300 bxs shaving soap, 100 cks Boston saleratus, 300 bxs starch, 200 bbls Wilmington tar, 15 bbls linseed oil, 100 bxs chocolate, 200 bxs fire crackers, 50 kegs bar lead, 500 bxs drop shot, 100 do buck shot, 1000 reams cap and letter paper, 300 do wrapping do, 100 reams tea paper, 100 bxs lemon syrup, 1000 bxs dairy salt, 1000 do G. A. do, 200 do L. B. do, 600 do 2 hoop buckets, 200 do 3-hoop do, 100 do 4-hoop do, 300 do 5-hoop do, 3 & 8 each, 100 do zinc wash boards, 150 bxs clothes pins, 25 doz well-buckets, 300 bxs block matches, 200 bxs Roman matches, 100 bbls oakum, 200 bbls butter and water crackers, 100 do pitch, 100 bbls rosin, 250 bxs clay pipes, 100 do stone do, 25 cases gl'd Turk pipe-heads, 25 bbls pearl barley, 200 demijohns, 1 to 5 gallons, 100 cks rice, 10 bbls split peas, 20 bxs British lustre, 100 bxs double refined saleratus, 10 casks Scotch ale, 25 bbls Mason's blacking, 200 half bbls city and La. S. H. molasses, 800 chests h't green and black teas, 400 bxs do do, 100 cks golden syrup, 500 bxs Va. and Mo. tobacco, 300 bxs cut smok'g tobacco, 100 do cut chewing do, 100 bxs yellow bank do, 25 do Spanish smok'g do, 100 jars Macaboy snuff, 2 bbls Scotch do, 50 M regalia cigars, 20 M principe do, 50 M Havana do, 300 boxes melon do, 200 boxes Cuba and Havana mixer do, 100 bbls cider vinegar, 300 kegs rifle powder, 300 kegs blasting powder, 100 cases canister do, 2 million G. D. caps, 100 M feet safety fuse, 200 bxs pepper, 100 do allspice, 10 cases nutmegs, 20 bbls cloves, 1500 mats cassia, 20 bbls gr'd ginger, 25 bags race ginger, 100 bxs mustard, 50 canisters mustard, 50 kegs English do, 300 bxs Underwood's pickles, 300 do peppercorns, 100 bxs tomato catsup, 10 do Cayenne pepper, 300 bxs assorted candy, 10 do rock do, 200 bxs assorted ground spices, 500 doz bed cords, 500 coils Manila cordage assor ed, 10 bbls flax sewing twine, 3000 lbs broom twine, 500 bxs window glass, 7x9 to 10x14, 100 bxs quart flasks, 300 do pt do, 50 hf pt do, 200 bxs tumblers, ass'd, 30 do glass decanters, 200 bxs squat jars, 50 cerosons S. F. indigo, 5 cases Madras indigo, 1 do Manila do, 10 casks crop madder, 50 bbls alum, 50 bbls copperas, 25 do minestone, 1 cks sulphur, 20 bbls chop logwood, 30 bxs extract do, 160 casks carb soda, 5 cks washing do, 10 bbls Epsom salts, 100 bxs black ink, 2 cases white chalk, 25 bbls whitening, 5 bbls putty, in bladders, 3 do camphor, 50 kegs saltpetre, 1000 doz yeast-powders, 15 cases ass'd playing cards, 300 doz brooms, 10 bbls tanners' oil, 50 baskets salad oil, 200 packets brown Java coffee, 50 bbls Jamaica do, 300 bbls N. O. molasses, 600 do city and La. S. H. do, 200 bbls leaf, pow'd and crushed sugar, 1500 bags Rio coffee, 400 bags Laguayra coffee, LIQUORS.

300 bbls rectified whisky, 50 do Bourbon do, 100 bbls Monongahela do, 15 do rye do, 100 bbls Am. brandy, 10 do do gin.

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

Commission and Forwarding House.

OSKATH MOGRIDGE. FRANCIS MCFALL.

Mogridge & McFall, (Late Twichell & Mogridge,)

Corner Commercial and Pine streets, St. Louis.

CONSIGNMENT S and Commissions will meet with prompt and personal attention, and liberal cash advances will be given on Consignments or Bills of Lading in hand.

The forwarding and receiving of merchandise and produce will meet with especial care and dispatch; the lowest rates of freight will always be procured, and the expense of storage and drayage as much as possible avoided.

Orders for purchasing filled at the shortest notice and lowest market prices.

REFERENCES:

J. & E. Walsh, Page & Bacon, Charles, Blow & Co., St. Louis. Choteau & Valle, Doan, King & Co., Blow & March, Frost & Forrest, Charles A. Meigs, T. C. Twichell & Co., New Orleans.

We have an open policy of Insurance, which will cover all shipments to our address, when advised by letter per mail, or when endorsed on bills of lading before, or at the time of shipment.

MOGRIDGE & MCFALL, e3y

St. Louis, Jan. 29, 1853.

House and Lot for Sale.

THE undersigned wishes to sell his House and Lot, situated on Sixth, between Bird and Hill Streets. It is a one story frame house, fixed comfortably for a small family, with all the necessary out buildings, a good garden, all kinds of shrubbery, and a fine well of water.

Possession given immediately, and indisputable title. For terms, &c., apply at the Messenger office, or to [mch27-1f] A. E. McDONALD,

Notice.

THE firm of Curtis, Lockwood & Coleman, have this day dissolved by mutual consent. Our business will continue under the name of Curtis & Lockwood, who will pay all demands against the late Firm, and Receipt for all moneys due the same. April 25, 1853.

A. CURTIS, E. A. LOCKWOOD, MONROE COLEMAN

Thankful for past favors, and in want of more, we would call the attention of the Ladies and Gentlemen to our new stock of

Dry Goods and Groceries.

Which we pledge ourselves to sell on fair terms on reasonable profits.

Respectfully Yours, (ap-26-d24w11) CURTIS & LOCKWOOD.

TOBACCO PREMIUMS: PLANTERS' WAREHOUSE.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

THE regular Annual Premiums for the four best hogheads of tobacco, the growth of this State, will be awarded on Friday, 17th June next, as follows: For the first premium hhd. manufacturing tobacco, \$70 " second " " " " 35 " first " " shipping " 30 " second " " " " 25

The Judges will, as formerly, be selected by the Planters, or their agents.

It is desirable that tobacco intended for competition, should be shipped so as to arrive in St. Louis a week previous to the day of sale and be marked "Premium."

All tobacco consigned to us will be covered by our policy of insurance, by writing "insured" on the bill of lading, at \$75 per hhd., where no particular amount is specified. BERTHOUD & SON, Proprietors. (ap-14-d4w-2m)

RAILROAD DEPOT

LOCATED!

It is not yet determined where.

But C. W. BRYAN wants

\$10,000 in Gold,

At the St. Louis Store, for which he will give in exchange,

Filley's Celebrated Charter Oak and Pioneer Cook Stoves,

At the Lowest Cash Price.

St. Louis Store, Main Street, two doors North of the Brady House. C. W. BRYAN. (mch22-d-w6m)

DON'T READ THIS!

WE the undersigned, having used Giles F. Filley's Celebrated

"CHARTER OAK"

"AIR-TIGHT,"

Cooking Stove, Manufactured by Filley of St. Louis, and sold by

C. W. BRYAN,

Of Hannibal, Mo.,

Take pleasure in recommending them to the public as superior in point of draft, economy of fuel, convenience and ease of regulation, to any Air-Tight Cook Stove which we have ever seen used.

M. F. Robinette, John Partridge, William Shoot, P. Beatty, J. P. Clark, John Withers, Gardner Shultz, Dr. M. F. Brown. (ap-14-d-ly.)

JUST RECEIVED,

And for sale at the "Lone Building" corner of Main and Bird streets,

ALL KINDS OF GARDEN SEEDS—Onion sets; Blue grass and timothy seeds; Clover seed by the barrel or bushel. A general assortment of Groceries, Wooden and Willow Ware, Brooms, Cotton Yarns, Cotton batting. All kinds of Nuts, Oranges, Lemons, Figs, and a host of articles not mentioned here; Like-wise, a thousand things that is not here for sale. Anxious to sell all for CASH UP AND THE MONEY DOWN. Like to forget one thing, the Eagle Mills flour is here too! [mch15dtf] T. JACKSON.

BRADY HOUSE.

CAPT. A. S. ROBARDS, formerly of the State of Kentucky, having taken the Brady House in the City of Hannibal, Mo., for a term of years, would respectfully solicit a liberal share of Public patronage. He would not make any extraordinary promises, but he wishes so to conduct the House, as to make it deserve the patronage which he hopes it will receive. Having a general acquaintance through this and the adjoining States, he will take pleasure in communicating such information to travelers as they may desire; Hannibal being the point of embarkation, for a large portion of the travel to and from the country bordering on the Missouri River.

He will at all times be prepared to accommodate the travelers with horses, carriages and wagons, &c., as means of conveyance to any distant point. April 7th, 1852. [mch21dtf]

Flour! Flour! Flour!

Irrepressible Mill.

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS coming to Hannibal with the intention of selling wheat and buying flour, would do well to call and see us before selling or purchasing elsewhere. Remember the big stone Mill on Bird, between Main and Third streets. Give us a call. A. S. ROBARDS & SON.

Our Flour is sold nowhere else but at the Mill. Every sack and barrel is branded with our name on it. [mch21dtf] "A. S. ROBARDS & SON."

Cheapest and Best Writing Ink.

L. BRITTINGHAM & BRO. are now manufacturing Black Writing Ink of a superior quality, which they sell very cheap—thirty cents a dozen cones, or five cents a pint. Steel pens may be left standing in this ink any length of time without becoming dry.

P. S.—At wholesale, they will sell it at \$10 a barrel. [mch27-1f]